

# Take College Courses While Still in High School

(thru a program called Project Running Start)

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In 1999, the New Hampshire Community Technical College System introduced a bold partnership initiative with high schools in the creation of Project Running Start. Project Running Start offers high school students the opportunity to enroll and attend challenging college courses while still in high school, at a significant reduction in tuition.

College courses range from general studies to career-specific courses. Many are courses you may well be planning to take anyway. Why not get the college credit for it?

All courses are offered during the school day just like any other high school course. They are available at high schools across the state, and in some high schools in Maine and Vermont!

So, if you're planning to go to college or even just thinking about it, you should consider doing this. You'll save time since you will already have some of your college courses completed. You'll save money because it's less expensive taking these courses through Project Running Start. You'll also have a great head-start on your college classes.

There are several other benefits too. If after starting college, you transfer to another, the original transcripts are still available to be sent there as well. If for some reason, a college doesn't transfer the credit, it still looks good on the application.

When you apply for a summer job and are competing with other high school students you will benefit by having something on your resume that shows you have the initiative to have taken a college-level course. Finally, doing well in a college-level course inspires

some students who might have otherwise not considered to pursue additional education or training after high school.

Students who successfully complete college courses through Project Running Start receive an official transcript from the NH Community Technical College. While enrolled, the student is considered a part-time college student and can obtain a College ID enabling the use of career services on campus. After high school graduation, students can continue their college studies at any one of the seven NH Community Technical Colleges, or transfer to another organization of higher education.

### Benefits for Students

- Students receive college credit and appropriate high school credit.
- Students will graduate high school with a college transcript of earned credits that may be transferred to other two-year and four year colleges.
- Students are recognized as NHCTC students with access to many college resources.
- Students pay a lower tuition rate than traditional NHCTC students.
- Students may avoid repeating some freshman year courses, thereby obtaining a "running start" on a college career.
- Students are challenged and motivated by rigorous courses during their junior and senior years.

For information on how to take advantage of Project Running Start and get a head start on your future, talk to your career advisor/guidance counselor at your school.

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### Project Running Start Participating Schools and Courses 1999-2002

<b>Alvirne High School</b> Human Relations Anatomy & Physiology Growth & Development of the Young Child	Psychology
<b>Belmont High School</b> Programming Visual Basic Web Site Development	Statistics
<b>Berlin High School</b> Intro to Spreadsheets Intro to Windows & Word Processing	Statistics
<b>Bow High School</b> Calculus I Intro to Programming Programming in C++	Economics Physics
<b>Canaan Memorial High School (VT)</b> Algebra & Trigonometry II	Calculus I
<b>Concord High School</b> Networking Theory I, II	Psychology
<b>Creteau Vocational Center</b> Engineering Graphics/CAD I	
<b>Dover High School</b> Exploring Aquaculture	
<b>Franklin High School</b> Capstone Project Restaurant Cooperative Education	Independent Elective
<b>Gilford High School</b> Directed Study I	
<b>Goffstown High School</b> Accounting I LAN Technologies (Cisco 1, 2)	Keyboarding I
<b>Gorham High School</b> American Government Computer Networking I	Psychology
<b>Hartford Area Technical Ctr. (VT)</b> Anatomy & Physiology Computerized Accounting Electronic Word Processing Medical Terminology	
<b>Hillsboro-Deering High School</b> Internetworking I Networking Theory I, II	Accounting I Psychology
<b>Hopkinton High School</b> Accounting I	
<b>Hugh J. Gallen Vocational Center</b> Intro to Geographic Information Systems	
<b>Interlakes High School</b> Drawing I	
<b>John Stark Regional High School</b> Networking Theory I, II	
<b>Kingswood Regional High School</b> Accounting I LAN Technologies Nature Writers PC Technician	American Short Story WAN Technologies Medical Terminology Growth and Development
<b>Laconia High School</b> Intro to Internet Software Applications	Medical Terminology
<b>Lin-Wood High School</b> Catering Intro to Hospitality	
<b>Littleton High School</b> Accounting I Marketing Intro to Internet Intro to Windows & Word Processing Sociology	Computer Applications Intro to Database Intro to Spreadsheets
<b>Londonderry High School</b> Intro to Business Principles of Marketing	Intro to C++
<b>Manchester Central High School</b> General Biology I, II LAN Technologies (Cisco 1, 2) WAN Technologies (Cisco 3, 4)	General Chemistry I, II
<b>Manchester School of Technology</b> Electronics Fundamentals Medical Terminology	
<b>Manchester West High School</b> Accounting I	
<b>Marshwood High School (ME)</b> Engineering Graphics/CAD I LAN Technologies	
<b>Merrimack High School</b> Algebra I Electronics French I Spanish I	Calculus I College Composition Music Appreciation
<b>Merrimack Valley High School</b> General Chemistry I, II	Physics I
<b>Milford High School</b> Biotechnology Internship, Externship General Biology I Microbiology Principles & Practices	
<b>Nashua High School</b> Accounting CADD I, II Human Relations Intro to Business US History II	Anatomy & Physiology Creative Writing College Composition Short Story Principles in Marketing Growth & Development of the Young Child Programming Visual Basic Visual Basic
<b>Newfound Regional High School</b> Accounting I Programming C++	Media Presentation Software Application
<b>Newmarket High School</b> Accounting I Intro to Business	College Composition
<b>Newport High School</b> College Composition	
<b>Noble High School (Maine)</b> LAN Technologies	
<b>Oyster River High School</b> Introduction to Computers	
<b>Pelham High School</b> Accounting I College Algebra Criminal Justice Psychology	Calculus I College Composition Criminal Law U.S. History I
<b>Pembroke Academy</b> Human Biology with Lab Principles of Marketing	Elementary Statistics
<b>Plymouth High School</b> Accounting I	
<b>Portsmouth High School</b> Microbiology Child Health, Safety & Nutrition LAN Technologies (Cisco 1, 2) WAN Technologies (Cisco 3, 4)	College Composition I
<b>Raymond High School</b> Keyboarding Web Programming I	Intro to Computers
<b>Salem Vocational High School</b> Advanced Word Processing Advanced Worksheets Computer Technologies Intro to Computers	
<b>Seacoast School of Technology</b> Child Health, Safety & Nutrition Intro to Veterinary Technology LAN Technologies Practicum II: Learning Environments Medical Terminology Microbiology: Principles and Practices	WAN Technologies
<b>Somersworth High School</b> College Composition I	
<b>Spaulding High School</b> College Composition Engineering Graphics/CAD I	Microbiology
<b>Stevens High School</b> Intro to Photography Humanities in Western Civilization	
<b>Sugar River Valley Technical</b> PC Assembly (Claremont) Law and Ethics (Newport)	
<b>Telstar High School (ME)</b> Algebra & Trigonometry II	
<b>White Mountain Regional High School</b> Accounting I Psychology Computer Networking II Human Growth & Development	Calculus Sociology
<b>Winnacunnet</b> Anatomy and Physiology I College Composition I	
<b>Winnisquam Regional High School</b> Hot Foods Catering Intro to Business Intro to Programming Small Business Management	